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HEARD AT HEADQUARTERS

Financial Hardship Committee

The first problem before the Financial Hardship Committee concerns the liabilities likely to be incurred by practitioners, especially when the practitioner has contracted a loan which carries an obligation not to relinquish any contract work. It is not easy to ascertain to what extent general practitioners are at present indebted to financial organizations, but in 1944, when ways and means of assisting practitioners to purchase practices were under consideration, it was discovered that about three and a half millions was on loan to general practitioners through insurance companies. Loans arranged by the Medical Insurance Agency since the beginning of this year under the scheme sponsored by the British Medical Association amount in the aggregate to nearly £600,000.

Complete Returns Wanted

A few panel committees—very few in relation to the total number—failed to send in returns concerning meetings held to consider the Insurance Acts Committee's recommendation on the resignation issue. Although over 90% of the practitioners whose votes were recorded at meetings or otherwise pledged wholehearted support of the recommendation, the returns were vitiated by the failure of these few committees. It is likely, of course, that the same body of support was forthcoming from those areas as from the others, but for statistical purposes this cannot be assumed. The committees which failed to send in returns were principally committees in rural areas, and nearly half of them, as it happens, in Scotland. The committees have now received a letter from the chairman of the Insurance Acts Committee pointing out that although for the time being the resignation issue has been shelved, the Committee is still anxious to know, for its guidance in any future action, the full extent of the support it would have received for its recommendation.

Civil Servants

A recent note in this column which implied, on the basis of a definition given in Murray, that the term "Civil Servants" included teachers in State schools is challenged in an amusing private letter to the Secretary from a local government officer who points out that the Civil Service and the local government service are quite different things, that teachers are not even indirectly employed by the central government, which has neither the power to appoint them nor to sack them, and whose control is limited to the approval of their basic qualifications and to paying grant on their salaries. It is true, as he adds, that many members of the medical profession would regard becoming local government servants as one degree worse than becoming Civil Servants, but it is better to keep the two things separate.

An Empire Committee

With the growth of the Association overseas (in spite of the fact that the South African Branches have recently detached themselves and formed an affiliated Association of their own) it has been felt in some quarters that the Dominions Committee should be enlarged and given new functions. This has been one of the smaller committees of the Association, consisting of members who for the most part have seen service in the Dominions or Colonies or dependencies, but it has done some extraordinarily useful work and has been of great service to oversea Branches, especially in matters affecting terms and conditions of service of practitioners employed overseas. One proposal is for an extension of its functions into an Advisory Empire Committee on which each Dominion and India would be represented. It is suggested that it should set up a central bureau in London and, in conjunction with the offices of the High Commissioners, give advice, information, instruction, and hospitality, as well as facilitating educational work—especially postgraduate—the interchange of teachers, the organization of lecture tours, and so forth. There are more than fifty oversea Branches of the Association, and the Canadian Medical Association and the Medical Association of South Africa are affiliated.

A National Formulary

The B.M.A. and the Pharmaceutical Society have a joint committee which has been discussing the desirability of a National Formulary for the purpose of a National Health Service. The necessity for a Formulary is not agreed as between the two sides of the table, but it is generally assumed that there will be a continuation of the National Formulary in some shape or other, and, that being so, one standard Formulary of national application and suitable to all branches of medicine is agreed to be desirable. Both the organizations concerned are recommended by the joint committee to give consideration to the need for a standard Formulary based on the formulary section of the *British Pharmaceutical Codex* and compiled by a joint committee of members of the medical and pharmaceutical professions.

Liaison with Industrial Medical Officers

The Association of Industrial Medical Officers has assented to the terms of an agreement recently approved by the B.M.A. Council whereby proposals concerning medico-political policy will be communicated before action is taken, and if the proposals are agreed by both bodies the necessary action will be taken by the B.M.A. There is a provision for mutual representation at meetings.

Pathologists at Mental Hospitals

The London County Council is experiencing difficulty in obtaining candidates with appropriate qualifications and experience for appointments as assistant pathologists in the laboratories of its mental hospital service. It is therefore proposing to establish a scheme for the appointment of junior assistant pathologists—similar to that already established in the general hospital laboratory service—who will be interchangeable with assistant pathologists within the limits of the fixed staff, and when duly qualified by not less than four years' experience, both clinical and pathological, will be eligible for promotion to the higher positions. The basic salary for the new grade of junior assistant pathologist will be £650, rising by increments of £25 to £725 a year, and the basic salary of the assistant pathologist is £900, rising by increments of £50 to £1,100.

The Ministry says "No"

The Insurance Acts Committee a month or two ago made a request to the Ministry of Health that doctors should be given priority in the supply of refrigerators for the economic preservation of penicillin and other drugs. The Minister, however, feels that no strong case for this has been made out. Storage in a cool, dry place is sufficient for dry penicillin and

its non-aqueous preparations, while as to the aqueous preparations, these will not keep for more than a day or two even in a refrigerator. Apart from that, there is the serious shortage in the supply of refrigerators for houses. Another representation to the Ministry, which has also been refused, was for the inclusion in the schedule of appliances of a preparation of sterile petroleum jelly gauze. The Ministry feels that this is not an opportune moment for extending the schedule except in matters of definite urgency.

Domestic Help for Doctors

It is difficult to say how far the domestic help situation has improved by the cessation of war work for women. In some localities matters appear to be rather worse than they were during the war, when the Ministry of Labour and National Service had comprehensive control of female labour through the National Service Acts, and there was some priority for doctors' service in the matter of direction. In other places relief has been vouchsafed to overworked doctors' wives by women who find service in a doctor's household a pleasant relief after employment in factories and canteens. The officials of the Ministry now have only persuasive powers.

One source of relief may be afforded by Irish maids. In this connexion it is worth noting that the travel control arrangements between Eire and Great Britain have been substantially modified, and employers are now free, so far as the Ministry is concerned, to make their own arrangements for the employment of such women. As for Continental labour, if a practitioner knows of any individual foreign national (other than German) who is willing to take domestic employment in his household he should apply to the Ministry of Labour, International Labour Branch, Norfolk House, St. James's Square, for advice. He would be required to accept responsibility for the travelling expenses incurred both in bringing the woman to this country and in her return should she wish to go back.

Correspondence

National Health Service

SIR,—The profession is to be congratulated upon having induced Mr. Bevan to recant his early folly of refusing to apply the Spens Report to remuneration under the National Health Insurance Service. Doubtless he would have preferred to reserve some of our financial rights to garnish his new service, but it is right not only that a Minister should honour his pledges, but also that both the old and the projected services should be judged and administered on their own merits. In the same way it is important that we should on all future occasions insist that the Spens Report or some such independent standard be applied to maintain an adequate level of remuneration. I have previously pointed out the dangers attached to a fixed capitation rate, and in my opinion no rate should be accepted in future unless it is fixed by the constant or periodical application of some standard that compensates for such factors as monetary depreciation, falling population, and increasing numbers of medical men. Failure to secure any such machinery accounts mainly for the injustices so long endured and unanimously condemned by insurance practitioners.

There are other lessons to be learnt from our recent experience. First, that it is ridiculous to assert that the medical profession can never stand together. Possibly Mr. Bevan misjudged us there. In fact we always have been united over the subject of N.H.I. remuneration and have given no one reason to suppose we could not act in a concerted fashion. However, some people are talking as if the profession had just achieved a new cohesive force that could be turned against the Health Service measure to redress at the eleventh hour the outcome of past divided counsels. The truth is not that the profession lacks the ability to follow or back its convictions, but that, like all free men, it refuses to be regimented into a semblance of unity in relation to a mass of highly controversial matter in order to dictate the views of one section of opinion.

All along our leadership has made the great mistake of attempting to secure unanimity and support for a sort of blunderbuss or comprehensive opposition to health legislation, even when this was proposed by a comparatively mild Government. A fair amount of support and more lip service has been forthcoming, but I doubt whether there is any decisive body of conviction such as was rallied to support our N.H.I. claims. The one unbiased effort to ascertain the views of the profession was ignored, yet in those questionaries somewhere under the dust still lie the ungerminated seeds of real unity. A sincere and responsible body of conviction could have been developed from this with subsequent adjustment and further secret balloting—worth more in the end than all the veiled regimentation into official policy that has gone on at many meetings. We should all have had to be content with much less than any extremists might desire, but I venture to suggest that we should soon have achieved a really inspired and effective unity in some important respects. While we were contemplating attack upon an impossibly wide front, Government circles were profiting by a perusal of the questionary: the very reconnaisance of our own situation upon which we should have built up our policy.

Let us hope that we can still secure a few important advantages by a last-minute recognition that these might accrue in a general spirit of co-operation. I believe that a majority of the profession is not convinced that it would be either good policy or good sense to refuse to negotiate with H.M. Government at this stage. No harm can come of it, while, as I have suggested, some good might still ensue. Moreover, a pigheaded refusal even to enter into non-committal discussion would further forfeit public sympathy.—I am, etc.,

Eye, Suffolk. J. SHACKLETON BAILEY.

SIR,—The Health Service Bill, Clause 34(1), provides that every medical practitioner, other than a paid assistant, who wishes to provide general medical service shall be entitled, on making an application at any time before the appointed day in the prescribed manner, to be included in the lists of medical practitioners.

There must be many others like myself, recently demobilized from the Forces, who have families and who for one reason or another have not practices of their own and are now acting as assistants. Are we, under the new scheme, to continue to be employed as assistants? If so, how are we eventually to achieve the status of "principal" in the Service?—I am, etc.,

EX-SERVICE ASSISTANT.

SIR,—A point in connexion with the provisions of the National Health Service Act dealing with sale of goodwill seems to me to need elucidation. If a practitioner has both private and insured patients it should be quite clear that the penalties in connexion with sale should apply to the latter. Further, if his house and surgery are used for both private and insurance practice, how do the provisions about sale of the same affect him or his widow? Why make those vexatious regulations about the sale of house property anyhow?—I am, etc.,

London, S.E.5. F. JOYCE.

Demobilized Medical Officers

SIR,—A friend of mine was recently appointed house-physician to an important and well-known provincial voluntary hospital of approximately 350 beds. He informs me that he was selected out of about 70 applicants for the post. The resident staff of the hospital consists of 13 officers and includes only 3 ex-Servicemen (including himself). Of the remaining ten no less than seven are women, including one Central European refugee.

I am all in favour of the competition of women on an equal basis with men, but as these posts are on a six-monthly basis such a state of affairs in 1946 does savour strongly of discrimination against ex-Servicemen. Is this attitude common among hospital committees? This subject might form an interesting and instructive line of research to anyone with the time and inclination to collect data from hospitals throughout the country.—I am, etc.,

Bourne End, Bucks. A. G. S. BAILEY.

At the annual meeting of the St. Helens (National Health) Insurance Committee Dr. D. Campbell, M.R.C.P., was appointed chairman for the twelfth consecutive year.

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£244 8s.—Practitioners in Gloucestershire B.M.A. Branch—per Dr. D. C. Reavell (amount already sent £431 17s.): Dr. H. J. Eastes £21 (3rd donation); Dr. A. F. M. Christie £20 (2nd donation); Dr. J. F. Colquhoun £20 (2nd donation); Dr. D. R. Acheson £10 10s. (2nd donation); Drs. Hills and Mould £10 10s. (3rd donation); Dr. J. G. Hosken £10 10s. (2nd donation); Dr. S. L. Mucklow £10 10s.; Dr. W. G. Murray-Browne £10 10s. (2nd donation); Dr. R. E. Sedgwick £10 10s.; Dr. Dorothy M. Wilkinson £10 10s. (5th donation); Dr. H. G. Dowler £5 5s. (3rd donation); Drs. Greene and Barnes £5 5s. (2nd donation); Dr. W. G. B. Halliden £5 5s.; Dr. S. F. Marwood £5 5s.; Mr. W. Niccol £5 5s. (2nd donation); Mr. W. H. Tandy £5 5s. (2nd donation); Dr. Alice S. Clow £5 (3rd donation); Dr. C. V. Knight £5 (2nd donation); Mr. O. E. J. McOustra £5 (2nd donation); Dr. J. C. Muir £5 (3rd donation); Dr. J. B. Scott £5; Drs. Gray and Westwood £4 4s.; Dr. D. E. Corsham £3 3s.; Dr. H. M. Jackson £3 3s. (2nd donation); Dr. W. M. Muir £3 3s.; Dr. A. J. Martin £3 3s.; Dr. T. C. Smith £3 3s. (2nd donation); Dr. J. J. Foster £3 (5th donation); Dr. A. V. Dill £2 2s. (3rd donation); Dr. J. E. Jameson £2 2s.; Dr. J. E. St. G. Johnstone £2 2s.; Dr. F. W. Lawson £2 2s. (2nd donation); Dr. J. E. Newton £2 2s. (2nd donation); Dr. H. J. Selby £2 2s. (2nd donation); Dr. H. Thorp £2 2s.; Dr. F. E. Dunscombe 10s.; Dr. A. F. Darlington £5 5s.; Dr. J. Morris £5 (2nd donation); Dr. E. R. Willis £5 (2nd donation).

£199 14s.—Practitioners in Exeter B.M.A. Division—per Dr. Fortescue-Foulkes (amount already sent £235 17s. 6d.): Drs. Traill, Sidebotham and Micklem £15 15s. (2nd donation); Mr. A. L. Candler £10 10s. (4th donation); Mr. N. L. Capener £10 10s. (2nd donation); Dr. A. C. Goodwin £10 10s. (4th donation); Dr. J. H. Iles £10 10s.; Drs. L. N. and Margaret Jackson £10 10s.; Drs. C. W. and Helen Marshall £10 10s. (2nd donation); Dr. E. Joyce Partridge £10 10s. (2nd donation); Dr. F. A. Roper £10 10s. (3rd donation); Drs. J. C. and W. A. Heal £6 6s. (2nd donation); Dr. H. Andrew £5 5s. (3rd donation); Mr. D. Bower £5 5s. (2nd donation); Dr. J. M. Courtney £5 5s.; Dr. J. E. Finlay £5 5s. (2nd donation); Dr. D. T. Mackie £5 5s. (3rd donation); Dr. Robert Scott £5 5s. (2nd donation); Dr. C. Seward £5 5s.; Drs. C. and N. Sims £5 5s. (2nd donation); Major-Gen. J. Jackson £5; Lieut.-Col. A. Kennedy £5; Dr. Vera Taylor £5; Drs. Evans, Vincent Smith and Gavin £3 3s.; Dr. R. K. Fortescue-Foulkes £3 3s. (3rd donation); Dr. Margaret Foxwell £3 3s.; Dr. H. S. Gaussen £3 3s.; Dr. R. Gray £3 3s. (2nd donation); Dr. E. Pollock £3 3s.; Dr. W. J. Walter £3 3s.; Dr. H. A. Browning £2 2s. (2nd donation); Dr. S. Gray £2 2s. (2nd donation); Dr. S. Hadfield £2 2s.; Lieut.-Col. G. Holroyd £2 2s.; Lieut.-Col. T. G. N. Stokes £2 2s. (4th donation); Dr. W. F. Mitchell £2; Dr. G. B. Page £1 1s. (2nd donation); Dr. R. V. Solly £1 1s.

£149 9s. 6d.—Practitioners in Lanarkshire B.M.A. Division—per Dr. E. G. Y. Thom (amount already sent £86 1s. 3d.): Dr. G. MacFeat £25; Dr. A. M. Goldie £10 10s.; Dr. I. B. Cummings £10 (3rd donation); Dr. C. M. Fleming £10 (2nd donation); Dr. A. Bancewicz £5 5s.; Dr. A. S. Findlay £5 5s.; Dr. J. Lowdon Kydd £5 5s. (2nd donation); Dr. J. Watson Little £5 5s. (2nd donation); Dr. Dale Logan £5 5s. (2nd donation); Dr. A. MacIntyre £5 5s.; Dr. R. McLean £5 5s.; Dr. Anne Mitchell £5 5s. (2nd donation); Dr. J. A. Murray £5 5s.; Dr. R. A. Peacock £5 5s.; Dr. J. Petrie £5 5s.; Dr. J. H. Shearer £5 5s.; Dr. Olive M. Somerville £5 5s.; Dr. E. G. Y. Thom £5 5s. (2nd donation); Dr. Jean Laurie £3 3s.; Dr. R. J. Lumsden £3 3s. (2nd donation); Dr. M. A. M. Urquhart £3 3s.; Dr. J. Scobbie £2 12s. 6d.; Dr. A. L. Cowan £2 2s. (2nd donation); Dr. J. B. Cunningham £2 2s.; Dr. J. S. Kerr £2 2s. (2nd donation); Dr. Katrine Wright £2 2s.

£129 16s.—Practitioners in Lancaster B.M.A. Division—per Dr. W. George (amount already sent £498 7s.): Drs. Bury and Magauran £30; Dr. H. N. Daniel £21 (2nd donation); Dr. A. J. Stout £21 (3rd donation); Drs. McFadzean, Cliff and Hodge £20; Mr. H. Abernethy £10 10s. (3rd donation); Drs. Geddes and Kitchin £10 10s. (3rd donation); Dr. A. Lucas £5 5s.; Dr. P. J. Daly £5 5s.; Dr. P. J. Murphy £5 5s. (3rd donation); Dr. W. G. Howson £1 1s. (3rd donation).

£119.—Hon. Medical and Surgical Staff of Leicester Royal Infirmary (amount already sent £289 2s.).

£116 19s.—Members of the Cardiganshire Medical Association—per Dr. D. I. Evans: Dr. D. Ellis £21; Mr. E. Owen Lloyd £21; Dr. E. L. L. Davis £20; Dr. T. J. Jones £10 10s.; Dr. T. Kenyon Davies £10, Dr. D. I. Evans £10; Dr. D. Lloyd Davies £5 5s.; Dr. Trevor G. Davies £5; Dr. T. Evans Jones £5; Mr. D. C. Williams £5; Dr. H. Ll. James £2 2s.; Dr. M. V. Sudds £2 2s.

£100.—Medical Staff, Harrow Hospital—per Dr. M. Park (amount already sent £210).

£95 3s.—Practitioners in Hereford B.M.A. Division—per Dr. S. L. Corry (amount already sent £138 8s.): Dr. W. Moir Brown £15 (2nd donation); Dr. H. Ward-Smith £10 10s. (2nd donation); Drs. Bell and Beach £5 5s.; Drs. Carey and Strange £5 5s.; Dr. O. J. C. Cotton £5 5s. (3rd donation); Dr. A. M. Humphrey £5 5s.; Dr. R. G. F. Thompson £5 5s. (2nd donation); Dr. G. D. E. Tullis £5 5s.; Dr. G. W. Dryland £5 (2nd donation); Dr. Jean Edwards £5 (2nd donation); Dr. T. V. R. Philip £4 (2nd donation); Dr. A. L. B. Green £3 3s.; Dr. E. Haigh £3 3s.; Dr. H. C. D. Miller £3 3s. (2nd donation); Drs. Steadman, Goldie and Airey £3 3s.; Dr. H. G. Langdale-Smith £2 2s. (2nd donation); Dr. M. B. McGinn £2 2s.; Dr. E. W. Malcomson £2 2s. (2nd donation); Mr. B. G. Scholefield £2 2s.; Dr. B. Stallard £2 2s.; Dr. A. H. S. Richardson £1 1s. (2nd donation).

£74 11s.—Practitioners in Willesden B.M.A. Division—per Dr. W. Paterson (amount already sent £207 12s.); Dr. Isobel M. Finlayson £10 10s.; Dr. A. N. Mathias £10 10s.; Dr. J. O. Musson £10 10s.; Dr. C. F. T. Scott £10 10.; Dr. F. R. Sturridge £10 10s. (2nd donation); Dr. T. Avery Jones £5 5s.; Dr. B. Pollard £4 4s.; Dr. H. B. Beasley £3 3s.; Dr. E. Lasserson £3 3s.; Dr. Philip Smith £3 3s.; Dr. W. W. Walker £3 3s.

£60 8s. 6d.—Practitioners in Darlington B.M.A. Division—per Dr. F. C. Pridham (amount already sent £88 11s.): Dr. D. M. Todd £10; Dr. W. G. Annan £5 5s. (2nd donation); Dr. W. E. Orchard £5 5s.; Dr. F. C. Pridham £5 5s. (2nd donation); Mr. A. Dalrymple Smith £5 5s. (2nd donation); Dr. R. N. Woodsend £5 5s.; Dr. W. A. Jaques £3 14s. (2nd donation); Dr. M. A. Archdale £3 3s. (2nd donation); Dr. A. Ingham £2 12s. 6d. (2nd donation); Dr. B. Freshwater £2 2s. (2nd donation); Dr. W. J. Hickey £2 2s.; Dr. A. Morrison £2 2s. (2nd donation); Dr. H. C. Pearson £2 2s. (2nd donation); Dr. Phyllis E. Ridley £2 2s.; Dr. C. D. Wilson £2 2s. (2nd donation); Dr. R. Adamson £1 1s. (2nd donation); Dr. G. Cockcroft £1 1s.

£52 12s.—Medical Committee of Royal Bucks Hospital—per Dr. R. W. McConnel (amount already sent £50).

£52 4s.—Practitioners in Rochdale B.M.A. Division—per Dr. A. M. McMaster (amount already sent £99 14s.): Dr. L. Kilroe £5 5s. (3rd donation); Dr. A. Lomas £5 5s. (2nd donation); Dr. A. M. McMaster £5 5s. (2nd donation); Dr. J. Reid £5 5s.; Dr. E. Vining £5 5s.; Drs. A. H. and N. Heyworth £5; Mr. J. C. Jefferson £5 (3rd donation); Drs. D. G., J. R. T. and R. MacGill £5 (2nd donation); Dr. J. M. Valentine £3 3s. (2nd donation); Dr. J. L. Armour £2 2s. (2nd donation); Dr. H. N. Crossley £2 2s. (2nd donation); Dr. M. Macleod £2 2s.; Dr. H. E. Barlow £1; Dr. C. R. White 10s.

£50 8s.—Practitioners in Norwich B.M.A. Division—per Dr. G. Day: Dr. H. J. Starling £7 7s. (2nd donation); Dr. A. W. Taylor £5 5s.; Dr. A. C. Hepburn £5 5s.; Dr. R. Aitken £5 5s.; Dr. G. Day £5 5s. (2nd donation); Dr. H. E. Williams £3 3s.; Dr. W. A. L. Marriott £2 2s.; Dr. T. T. Hutchinson £2 2s.; Dr. V. F. Soothill £2 2s.; Dr. D. Souper £2 2s.; Dr. A. Greene £2 2s.; Dr. B. E. Jerwood £2 2s.; Dr. Mary Thackwell £2 2s.; Dr. G. L. Leggat £2 2s.; Dr. K. Froome £1 1s.; Dr. I. Hinde £1 1s.

£50.—Bolton Medical Ball Committee—per Dr. T. Dearden.

£34 8s.—Middlesex Insurance Practitioners—per Middlesex Panel Committee: Dr. C. W. W. Baxter £10 10s. (2nd donation); Dr. Margaret I. Yeatman £10 10s.; Dr. F. Malone-Barrett £5 5s.; Dr. A. W. M. Rooke £5; Dr. J. A. A. P. Scott £3 3s. (2nd donation).

£18 18s.—Practitioners in Sheffield B.M.A. Division—per Dr. T. Lodge (amount already sent £415 17s. 1d.): Dr. J. Nunan £10 10s. (3rd donation); Dr. W. E. Dornan £3 3s.; Dr. J. M. Pringle £5 5s.

£10 10s.—Practitioners in Bolton B.M.A. Division—per Dr. D. P. Simpson (amount already sent £108 15s.): Dr. J. Scott £5 5s. (2nd donation); Dr. H. W. Bowyer £3 3s.; Dr. W. H. Simmons £2 2s.

£9 16s. 6d.—Practitioners in Tower Hamlets B.M.A. Division—per Dr. D. Haydon Jones: Dr. E. P. Moore £3 3s.; Dr. Dorothy S. Russell £3 3s.; Prof. H. M. Turnbull £3; Dr. S. R. O'Shiel 10s.

£5 5s.—Practitioners in Bromley B.M.A. Division—per Dr. M. F. Prout (amount already sent £86 12s. 6d.).

£6 5s.—Practitioners in Stirling B.M.A. Branch—per Dr. W. Leslie Cuthbert (amount already sent £135 7s.): Dr. G. Erskine £3 3s.; Dr. J. D. Walker £2 2s.; Dr. T. R. Murray £1.

£2 2s.—Practitioners in Westmorland B.M.A. Division—per Dr. E. M. Kemp (amount already sent £66 1s.): Dr. Colin Buckley (2nd donation).

£2.—Practitioners in Buckinghamshire Division—per Dr. R. M. McConnel (amount already sent £638 2s. 6d.). Practitioners in Nottinghamshire Division—per Dr. A. D. Frazer.

Local Medical and Panel Committees

£100.—Cheshire (2nd donation).

£69 10s. 10d.—Yorkshire (West Riding).

£30.—Smethwick.

	£	s.	d.
Total of above contributions	4,406	18	6
Total received since issue of second appeal	20,980	12	4
Total since inauguration of Fund	79,724	1	9
Sums for books for prisoners of war ..	216	14	6

Cheques, payable to the Medical War Relief Fund, should be sent to the Hon. Treasurer of the Fund, British Medical Association House, Tavistock Square, London, W.C.1.

H.M. Forces Appointments

ROYAL AIR FORCE

Air Cdre. (Temp. Air Vice-Marshal) A. E. Panter, C.B., has retired, retaining the rank of Air Vice-Marshal.

Group Capt. (Temp. Air Cdre.) T. C. St. C. Morton, O.B.E., K.H.P., and Group Capt. E. A. Lumley, M.C., to be Air Cdres.

Group Capts. W. E. Hodgins and D. G. Boddie have retired on account of medical unfitness for Air Force service, retaining the rank of Air Cdre.

Wing Cmdr. (Temp. Group Capt.) C. P. Barber has reverted to the retired list, retaining the rank of Group Capt.

Wing Cmdrs. (Temp. Group Capts.) L. C. Palmer-Jones, J. Parry-Evans, B. W. Cross, F. L. White, C. G. J. Nicolls, A. F. Cook, O.B.E., and C. J. S. O'Malley, C.B.E., to be Group Capts.

Wing Cmdr. H. Penman to be Group Capt.

Wing Cmdr. A. A. Townsend has retired, retaining the rank of Group Capt.

Wing Cmdr. J. T. T. Forbes has reverted to the retired list.

Wing Cmdr. T. Montgomery has reverted to the retired list, resuming the rank of Group Capt.

Squad.-Ldr. (Temp. Wing Cmdr.) G. B. MacGibbon and Squad.-Ldr. (War Subs. Temp. Wing Cmdr.) F. L. Whitehead have retired at their own request, retaining the rank of Wing Cmdr.

Squad.-Ldrs. (Temp. or War Subs. Wing Cmdrs.) L. M. Corbet, C.B.E., T. D. L. Bolan, W. P. Stamm, H. Bannerman, G. Gilchrist, J. C. Blair, A. W. Smith, J. W. Patrick, J. S. Wilson, L. E. A. Dearberg, P. A. Cooper, S. R. C. Nelson, R. S. Peill, H. E. Bellringer, R. L. Soper, R. S. B. McClean, L. M. Crooks, J. B. Wallace, O.B.E., and R. F. Wynroe to be Wing Cmdrs.

P. J. MacNamara to be Squad.-Ldr.

Fl.-Lieut. (Temp. Squad.-Ldr.) T. H. Harding has retired, retaining the rank of Squad.-Ldr.

To be Fl.-Lieuts. (Permanent): T. N. N. Brennan, H. C. Thomas, D. C. Light, and P. J. O'Connor, O.B.E.

To be Fl.-Lieuts.: G. R. Bedford, T. Gray, and J. M. Urquhart.

Reserve of Air Force Officers

Squad.-Ldr. J. F. McKenna, A.F.C., has resigned his commission, retaining the rank of Wing Cmdr.

Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve

Squad.-Ldr. R. E. McKenzie has relinquished his commission on account of medical unfitness for Air Force service, retaining his rank.

To be Squad.-Ldrs. (Emergency): R. H. Dale, R. A. Fleming, E. G. Hall, W. Tennent, O. Janus, J. Rubin, W. C. Good, D. C. Devitt, J. E. G. Pearson, and J. S. F. Sutton.

Squad.-Ldr. (Temp.) D. G. Ferriman to be War Subs. Squad.-Ldr.

Fl.-Lieut. T. Primrose has resigned his commission, retaining the rank of Squad.-Ldr.

Fl.-Lieuts. S. T. Winter, M.B.E., and R. B. Wylde have resigned their commissions, retaining their rank.

Fl.-Lieuts. R. H. H. Williams and W. G. Smeaton have relinquished their commissions on account of medical unfitness for Air Force service, retaining the rank of Squad.-Ldr.

Fl.-Lieuts. P. R. Green, N. Sher, F. R. Philps, and S. E. Greenhill have relinquished their commissions on account of medical unfitness for Air Force service, retaining their rank.

J. S. Lawrence to be Squad.-Ldr. (Emergency).

To be Fl.-Lieuts. (Emergency): H. J. C. Swan, A. J. Evans, R. J. P. Pugh, D. D. C. Howat, A. C. Akehurst, M. Hamilton, R. B. Sloane, S. J. Sutton, J. R. Preston, J. E. Stephens, D. W. Thomas, T. Bell, H. N. Burwell, H. J. Fisher, H. P. Speed, R. W. Thomson, and W. G. Thomson.

Flying Officers F. M. Lanigan-O'Keefe, T. T. Fulton, W. H. McDaniel, M. Hutchinson, C. C. Dawson, H. Harris, N. A. G. Covell, J. P. Haile, T. McSweeney, and D. Shorten to be War Subs. Fl.-Lieuts.

To be Flying Officers (Emergency): C. K. Allan, K. Baker, A. D. Charnley, K. S. Clarkson, A. C. Dresser, S. Edelman, D. Fox, K. L. G. Goldsmith, W. H. Graham, R. Harrison, G. L. Hindson, C. Hougie, C. A. Houlder, J. A. Jamieson, P. R. B. Jones, A. C. Kennedy, J. D. Lacon, W. R. Macbrossan, E. W. F. Mack, J. G. Millers, H. H. Smith, G. K. Thomas, E. Bindman, A. D. Caird, J. D. C. Campbell, W. A. Crawford, J. S. Creighton, P. W. Dagger, A. Douglas, E. C. K. Douglas, D. McI. Ferguson, J. M. Fleming, S. Hillman, R. R. Houston, W. McR. Laverie, W. A. S. Llewellyn, K. Lowe, A. E. Malone, J. L. J. Phillips, J. G. Piccaver, G. D. Powell, F. L. Robertshaw, W. E. Robinson, G. E. Schofield, R. E. Sidebotham, A. J. Underwood-Whitney, G. A. Walker, C. G. White, J. R. E. Wilson, R. E. Woolley, R. A. Armstrong, N. L. Bailey, J. Buchanan, W. K. Christopher, J. G. R. Ellis, R. E. Glenn, H. B. W. Greig, W. A. Jackson, W. R. Johnson, L. F. Levy, D. O. Lewis, J. W. Little, G. H. Lloyd, R. J. McWilliam, J. A. W. Maguire, T. C. Nicol, W. D. Paterson, R. W. Rapinet, D. F. Robertson, R. H. Sage, J. A. Sindell, W. F. Toomey, H. Wainstead, D. C. Adamson, N. Coulshed, A. C. Edwards, D. A. W. Edwards, A. W. Gilks, E. J. Innes, R. F. McN. Jones, W. L. M. Perry, K. W. Robinson, H. A. K. Rowland, A. D. Verniquet, I. G. Waugh, J. A. Waycott, R. H. Whitworth, C. P. Williamson, G. R. Wotton, R. Youngman, W. E. Arnold, C. E. Bagg, R. W. Baxter, J. H. Burt, F. E. V. Cant, R. B. Carr, S. Davis, E. Dillistone, J. C. Ham, A. C. Hill, R. A. Houston, W. McI. S. Ironside, D. W. James, C. Johnson, S. J. Krister, S. Lewis, D. W. J. O'Neill, C. Ounsted, J. H. Ridgwick, R. C. Robb, G. F. Roberts, R. A. K. Ross, C. S. Shaw, J. L. G. Thomson, and D. A. Watkins.

The notification in a *Supplement* to the *London Gazette* dated Sept. 10, concerning J. R. G. MacKetsack should have read J. R. G. MacKessack.

Association Notices

SCHOLARSHIPS IN AID OF SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH

The Council of the British Medical Association is prepared to receive applications for Research Scholarships as follows: an Ernest Hart Memorial Scholarship, of the value of £200, a Walter Dixon Scholarship of the value of £200 and four Research Scholarships, each of the value of £150. These Scholarships are given to candidates whom the Science Committee of the Association recommends as qualified to undertake research in any subject (including State Medicine) relating to the causation, prevention, or treatment of disease. Preference will be given, other things being equal, to members of the medical profession. Each Scholarship is tenable for nine months, commencing on Feb. 1, 1947. A Scholar may be re-appointed for not more than two additional terms. A Scholar is not necessarily required to devote the whole of his or her time to the work of the research, but may hold a junior appointment at a university, medical school, or hospital, provided the duties of such appointments do not interfere with his or her work as a Scholar.

Conditions of Award, Applications

Applications for Scholarships must be made not later than Saturday, Dec. 28, 1946, on the prescribed form, a copy of which will be supplied on application to the Secretary of the Association, B.M.A. House, Tavistock Square, London, W.C.1. Applicants are required to furnish the names of three referees who are competent to speak as to their capacity for the research contemplated.

The Katherine Bishop Harman Prize

The Council of the B.M.A. is prepared to consider an award of the Katherine Bishop Harman Prize of the value of £75 in 1947. The purpose of the prize, which was founded in 1926, is to encourage study and research directed to the diminution and avoidance of the risks to health and life that are apt to arise in pregnancy and child-bearing. It will be awarded for the best essay submitted in open competition, competitors being left free to select the work they wish to present, provided this falls within the scope of the prize. Any medical practitioner registered in the British Empire is eligible to compete.

Should the Council of the Association decide that no essay submitted is of sufficient merit, the prize will not be awarded in 1947, but will be offered again in the year next following this decision, and in this event the money value of the prize on the occasion in question will be such proportion of the accumulated income as the Council shall determine. The decision of the Council will be final.

Each essay must be typewritten or printed in the English language, must be distinguished by a motto, and must be accompanied by a sealed envelope marked with the same motto and enclosing the candidate's name and address. Essays must be forwarded so as to reach the Secretary, to whom all inquiries should be addressed, at B.M.A. House, Tavistock Square, London, W.C.1, not later than Dec. 31, 1946.

GROUP OF DERMATOLOGY

A meeting of the Group of Dermatology, to which all members of the Group are invited, will be held at B.M.A. House on Wednesday, Dec. 18, at 2 p.m.

Members of the Group are invited to forward to the Secretary, B.M.A. House, Tavistock Square, London, W.C.1, suggestions or recommendations for consideration by the meeting.

(Sgd.) C. HILL,
Secretary.

Diary of Central Meetings

DECEMBER

5. Thurs. Publishing Subcommittee, 11 a.m.
11. Wed. **Council,** 12 noon.

Branch and Division Meetings to be Held

LEIGH DIVISION.—At Boar's Head Hotel, Leigh, Tuesday, Dec. 3, 8.15 p.m. Meeting. Agenda includes show of Sound Films. Main feature: Intravenous Anaesthesia.

NUNEATON AND TAMWORTH DIVISION.—At Red Lion Hotel, Atherstone, Tuesday, Dec. 3, 8.30 p.m. Mr. A. J. Moffett: Sinusitis.

SWANSEA DIVISION.—At Mackworth Hotel, Friday, Dec. 6, Dinner Dance, 8 p.m.

Meetings of Branches and Divisions

PLYMOUTH DIVISION

A dance was given at the Moorland Links Hotel, Yelverton, on Nov. 13. This was the first social event on a large scale held by the Division since the 1938 A.R. Meeting in Plymouth.

PRESTON DIVISION

The B.M.A. Lecture was delivered at the Preston Royal Infirmary on Nov. 12 at 8.30 p.m. by Prof. D. W. Dunlop, of Edinburgh. Dr. A. R. Wood, chairman of the Division, occupied the chair. Prof. Dunlop's subject was "Medical Emergencies"; and for an hour he expounded to an audience of about seventy members new and improved methods of dealing with the emergency treatment of diabetic coma, haematemesis, haemoptysis, bronchial asthma, coronary thrombosis, and a number of other conditions, debunking by the way some traditional methods and drugs. A discussion followed in which many members took part.

A vote of thanks to the lecturer was proposed by Dr. A. E. Rayner, O.B.E., and seconded by Dr. D. M. Anderson. A collection was taken for the Royal Medical Benevolent Christmas Gift Fund, and it realized the sum of £15 10s.

SOUTH-EASTERN COUNTIES DIVISION

A meeting of the Division was held at Galashiels on Oct. 13, 1946. Dr. L. G. Campbell took the chair. He welcomed the Minister's acceptance of the Spens Committee's recommendation under which he had agreed to pay a capitation rate of 15s. as from Jan. 1, 1946.

The secretary pointed out that the Roxburgh Panel Committee had sent a resolution drawing attention to the necessity for an increase in the mileage payment to be in line with the increased capitation fee. He reported that the panel committees of Peeblesshire, Selkirkshire, and Roxburghshire had all received 100% acceptance replies from insurance practitioners in their areas agreeing to the action of the Insurance Acts Committee, while Dr. Campbell reported that three doctors in Berwickshire were not in favour of it but the others were. Dr. McCracken wanted the Insurance Acts Committee to formulate a guarantee that no doctor not accepting would take patients from those who were supporting the Committee. It was left to the representatives to the Panel Conference to take up this matter should it be felt necessary.

Hospital Survey.—The secretary drew attention to the report of the Committee, which had now been published. Dr. McLay suggested that those who had made the report had not spent sufficient time in the various hospitals to give a full opinion of the state of affairs. Drs. Haddon and Glover both spoke of the plans already made for a central hospital at St. Boswells.

Medical Treatment of Evacuees.—Payment had now been made to the secretary for 1945 a few weeks ago. The position was difficult in that many of the evacuees for whom payment had been received were supposed to come from the London and southern areas, and, as the secretary had no idea where in the various counties these evacuees were situated, it was difficult to allocate the money. The Central Medical War Committee was taking the matter up with the local committee, and in a short time it was hoped that they would be able to disburse the money.

The Rural Practitioners Sub-committee had asked each area to give their ideas on: (1) Health Centres. In discussion it was generally agreed that better diagnostic facilities should be provided, and that cottage hospitals in the Borders provided the most suitable location for these. Dr. Pollock spoke of the necessity for ultraviolet rays, radiant heat, bacteriological and other diagnosis, which could be undertaken at these small centres. Dr. Smith criticized cottage hospitals in general and felt that the cases at present dealt with there should be transferred to the larger hospitals. Dr. Allan mentioned that he had four clinics in Berwickshire to try to help the position. Drs. Balfour, Haddon, and Campbell thought additional facilities at cottage hospitals would be sufficient. (2) Remuneration. The secretary suggested that a 50% increase in mileage payment would about meet the case. Dr. Haddon supported this and it was left to the representatives to the Panel Conference to further this suggestion.

Attention was drawn to the Royal Medical Benevolent Fund.

Scottish Scheme for Protection of Practices.—The secretary had been asked by the Central Committee for a report on the questions involved. This report was read to the meeting.

Dr. Dow spoke on the position at Peel Hospital. They were carrying on there under difficulties with a reduced staff. No payment was being asked for patients and they could be admitted directly by application to him without previous arrangements with the Royal Infirmary. Until some of the chronic cases were discharged there was not a tremendous number of beds available; he hoped that by Christmas it would be much more satisfactory.

DIARY OF SOCIETIES AND LECTURES

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF LONDON, Pall Mall East, S.W.—*Tues.*, and *Thurs.*, 5 p.m., Croonian Lectures by Dr. H. L. Marriott: Some Quantitative Considerations Regarding Depletion of Tissue Fluid and Blood Constituents.

ROYAL SOCIETY OF MEDICINE

Section of Orthopaedics.—Tues., 5.30 p.m. (Cases at 4.30 p.m.)

Section of History of Medicine.—Wed., 2.30 p.m. Paper by Dr. H. P. Bayon: The transition between scholastic and clinical Medicine in Europe during the 16th and 17th centuries. (Illustrated by lantern slides.)

Section of Comparative Medicine.—Wed., 5 p.m. Short Papers by Dr. H. H. Holman: Studies on the haematology of the horse, ox, and sheep. Mr. J. B. Brooksby: The serum proteins of the domestic animals. Dr. C. L. Oakley: The normal constituents of human blood. Dr. H. Grüneberg: Inherited disorders of the blood in rodents.

Section of Surgery.—Wed., 8 p.m. A Pathological meeting will be held.

Section of Otology.—Fri., 10.30 a.m. (Cases at 10 a.m.) Paper by Mr. Terence Cawthorne: Review of surgery of otosclerosis. Coloured film by Mr. Garnett Passe: Fenestration operation. Cases will be shown.

Section of Laryngology.—Fri., 2.30 p.m. (Cases at 2 p.m.) Discussion: Epistaxis. Opener: Miss D. J. Collier. Short paper by Mr. R. G. Macbeth: Ligation of anterior ethmoid artery for epistaxis. Cases will be shown.

Section of Anaesthetics.—Fri., 5.30 p.m. Discussion: Shock, with special reference to anaesthesia. Openers: Prof. H. N. Green and Dr. R. P. Harbord.

FACULTY OF HOMOEOPATHY.—At London Homoeopathic Hospital, *Thurs.*, 5 p.m. Dr. Karl Konig (Vienna): Work Among Problem Children.

WEEKLY POSTGRADUATE DIARY

BLACKPOOL: VICTORIA HOSPITAL.—*Thurs.*, 8 p.m. Mr. Miller: The Uses and Abuses of Penicillin in Surgical Practice.

LONDON SCHOOL OF DERMATOLOGY, 5, Lisle Street, Leicester Square, W.C.—*Tues.*, 5 p.m. Dr. G. B. Dowling: The Erythrodermias. *Thurs.*, 5 p.m. Dr. L. Forman: Cutaneous Manifestations of Malignant Disease.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS

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BIRTHS

BLOOM.—On Nov. 13, 1946, at Ferncroft Nursing Home, N.W.3, to Edna Bloom (*née* Sattin), wife of Ross Bloom, F.R.C.S., 15, Hocroft Road, N.W.2, a son—Allan Neil.

COLE.—On Nov. 22, 1946, at The Chase, Roughley, Sutton Coldfield, to Peggy (*née* Bryant), M.B., M.R.C.S., wife of J. G. L. Cole, M.B., M.R.C.S., a son—Timothy James.

COONEY.—On Nov. 19, 1946, at the County General Hospital, Otley, Yorks, to Gwynaeth, wife of J. A. Cooney, M.B., Ch.B. (R.A.F., Iraq), a daughter.

HARTLEY.—On Nov. 22, 1946, to Bee, wife of B. P. R. Hartley, M.B.E., M.B., Westwood House, Brocco Bank, Sheffield, 11, a son.

MACNAUGHTAN.—On Nov. 17, 1946, at Edinburgh, to Jean (*née* Wiseman), wife of Dr. I. P. J. MacNaughtan, a daughter.

ENGAGEMENT

TOWNSEND—SPARKS.—The engagement is announced between Eric, younger son of Mr. and the late Mrs. Arthur Townsend, of Skipton-in-Craven, Yorkshire, and Elizabeth, eldest daughter of the late Dr. and Mrs. John Peel Sparks, of Cullercoats, Northumberland.

MARRIAGE

STONE—MULROY.—On Nov. 9, 1946, at Halifax, Capt. M. C. Stone, R.A.M.C., to Mary Philippa Mulroy, S.R.N.

DEATH

MACGILLIVRAY.—On the night of November 19/20, while working for the Control Commission in Germany, the result of a motor accident, Isobel Margaret (Abelle), M.R.C.P.Ed.